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PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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1:00 p.m.
January 13, 2004

MINUTES -SPECIAL MEETING

Evergreen Plaza Bldg. Room 206
711 Capitol Way South
Olympia, Washington

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Via Telephone:
Earl Tilly, Chair
Michael Connelly, Member
Francis Martin, Member

STAFF PRESENT

Vicki Rippie, Executive Director
Susan Harris, Asst. Director
Nancy Krier, Senior Counsel
Linda Dalton, Sr. Asst. Attorney General
Ruthann Bryant, Secretary

The special meeting of the Public Disclosure Commission was called to order by Commission Chair Earl Tilly at 1:13 p.m. in the Evergreen Plaza Building, Room 206, Olympia, Washington.

Update and Re-issue of Guidelines
For School Districts in Election
Campaigns, Interpretation 01-03

Vicki Rippie summarized the background of the guidelines noting that education and investigations concerning matters relating to RCW 42.17.130 have been suspended since May of 2002. She added that staff is requesting that:

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- A slightly modified version of the Guidelines be approved;
- These modified Guidelines be re-instated on the Web along with other .130 related instructional documents;
- PDC staff implement its plan for processing enforcement complaints, and resume reviewing facts sheets, conducting training

and otherwise fulfilling our assistance function; and

- Send notice to all districts previously notified about injunction that the Guidelines have been re-instated.

Commissioner Connelly acknowledged that there is a huge need for the Guidelines to be available. He also commented that it is important for staff to again investigate and educate the public on .130 issues.

Ms. Rippie reviewed new language for the document to clarify that the Guidelines reflect the Commission's interpretation of the statutory prohibition on the use of public facilities and are meant to aid and assist in compliance with the law.

Motion 04-063

Moved by Commissioner Connelly, seconded by Commissioner Martin:

The Commission amends PDC Interpretation 01-03, Guidelines for School Districts in Election Campaigns, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 04-064

Moved by Commissioner Connelly, seconded by Commissioner Martin:

The Commission adopts PDC Interpretation 01-03, Guidelines for School Districts in Election Campaigns, as amended.

The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

The Commission went into executive session at 1:38 p.m. to discuss pending and potential litigation with legal counsel.

Public Session/Adjournment

The Commission returned to public session and Commissioner Tilly adjourned the meeting

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at 1:45 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for
January 27, 2004.

Approved by the Commission 2/24/04